

REMARKS

Status of the Application

Claims 12-20, 23-31, 44-53, 55-97 are pending with entry of this amendment. Claims 1-11, 21, 22, 32-43, and 54 have been canceled without prejudice. No new matter has been introduced with the newly added claims. Early action on the merits is respectfully requested.

The Amendments

The requested amendments to the specification and claims do not add new matter to the application as originally filed. The amendment at page 2 corrects the inadvertent omission of a word to make the sentence grammatically correct. The amendment at page 3 corrects a typographical error. The amendments at page 4 of the specification provide the correct terminology that corresponds to the "GalNAc" and "GlcNAc" abbreviations. In the originally provided terminology, the "aminyl" suffix was inadvertently omitted. This omission would have been readily apparent to those of skill in the art, as the "N" in "GalNAc" and "GlcNAc" is well known as the symbol for "aminyl."

New claims 59-97 find support in the application as originally filed and therefore do not add new matter to the application.

New claims 59-61 and 64-65 find support in the specification at, for example, page 10 lines 3-11 and claim 12.

New claims 62-63 and 83 find support at, for example, page 12, lines 10-15.

New claims 66 find support at, for example, page 12, lines 15-16.

New claim 67 find support at, for example, page 10 lines 14-15.

New claims 68-73 find support in the specification at, for example, page 3 lines 5-13.

New claims 74-81 find support in the specification and in originally filed claims 13-20.

New claims 85-88 and 94-97 find support at, for example, page 8 lines 20-22 of the specification.

New claims 82, 84 and 89 find support in the specification at, for example, page 13 lines 5-16.

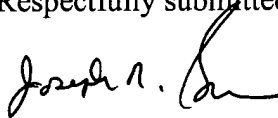
New claims 90-92 find support at, for example, page 13 lines 17-29 of the specification.

New claim 93 finds support in the specification at, for example, page 10 lines 25-33.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request early action on the merits. If a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney at (925) 472-5000

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